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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. P2166US

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Title SPORTS EQUIPMENT
CONDITIONING APPARATUS

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Mail Stop Patent Application
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

- Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification (including claims and abstract) [Total Pages 14]
- Drawings [Total Sheets 11]
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney [Total Pages 3]
 - a. Newly executed
 - b. Copy from prior application [Note Box 6 below]
 - i. Deletion of Inventor(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
- Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b is considered as part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
- CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. Paper Copy
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

10. Applicant requests early publication. (include publication fee under 37 CFR 1.18(d))
11. Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s))
12. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an Assignee)
13. Power of Attorney
14. English Translation Document (if applicable)
15. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - Form PTO-1449
 - Copies of Listed Documents
16. Preliminary Amendment
17. Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized)
18. Claim of Priority & Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
19. Request & Certification Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (Form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent must be submitted with this application to prevent publication at 18 months)
20. Other: Filing Fee

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APPLICATION FEES

BASIC FEE				\$770.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
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Independent Claims	3	- 3 =	0	x \$86.00 \$0.00
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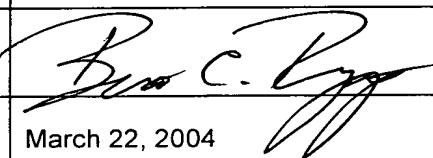
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Applicant(s): Rousseau et al.

Application No.: Unassigned

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Enclosed:

1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (2 pgs) and duplicate thereof (2 pgs)
2. Application Data Sheet (3 pgs)
3. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pgs)
4. Patent Application comprising: Specification (10 pgs); Claims (3 pgs); Abstract (1 pg); Eleven (11) Sheets of Drawings (Figs. 1-15; 11 pgs)
5. Information Disclosure Statement (4 pgs) and duplicate thereof (4 pgs)
6. 1449 Form (1 pg)
7. Copies of Eight (8) Cited References (AA-AH)
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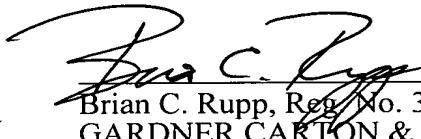
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For: **SPORTS EQUIPMENT
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